# Annual Report SOUTHEASTERN UTAH ASSOCIATION OF LOCAL GOVERNMENTS December 2008



Monticello Mayor Doug Allen Chairman SEUALG

ver the past year the Southeastern Utah Association of Local Governments has provided a variety of services to the counties, communities and citizens of southeast Utah. This report is a very brief summary of those services and accomplishments. The purpose of this report is to assist public officials with becoming familiar with the programs and staff of the Association which, in turn, will facilitate beneficial use of its services. The programs administered by SEUALG come to local government from a variety of sources. For this reason, these programs do not necessarily share the same fiscal years or fund sources. Unless indicated otherwise, the client service numbers are for a twelve month period that may not coincide with the fiscal year of the respective program. If you have any questions about the programs currently being administered by SEUALG,

please call the staff person indicated or me at 1-435-637-5444. The specific telephone extension numbers for the named staff members are indicated in parenthesis beside their names.

Bill Howell, Executive Director (Ext. 405)

#### **Community Services**, Jackie Butkovich, Program Manager (Ext. 419):

• Food banks in Castle Dale, Price and Moab - Average Clients/Month:

		2006-'07	2007-'08
	Price (Jackie Butkovich)	250	278
•	Castle Dale (Kathy Thomas)	62	57
	Moab (Ruby Robinson & Pefe Duran)	91	99
•	Food pantry in Green River	2	3
	Home Energy Assistance Target (HEAT) Progra	m: <u>2006-'07</u>	2007-'08
•	HEAT total clients served	2,596	2,652

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•	HEAT Crisis total clients served	156	115
•	HEAT Emergency Assistance total clients	12	76

### Community Planning, Mike Bryant, Community Planner (Ext. 414):

- Land Use and Community General Planning: 10 communities assisted
- Affordable Housing Planning contract executed for training/technical assistance to small towns not otherwise obligated under state statute to conduct affordable housing planning.
- Transportation and Mobility Management Planning (Aaron Howe, asst. planner) Assist transit service providers with financing options; preparations have been made for conducting a district-wide Mobility Management planning process.
- Community Impact Board Regional Planner

#### Community and Economic Development, Debbie Hatt, Program Manager (Ext. 411):

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•		Community Development Block Grant: 2006-'07	2007-'08
		community projects applied for 6	4
		community projects funded 5	4
		community projects completed 3	3
•		Revolving Loan Fund Program:	
		active loans administered	17
		new loans made	5
		business plans facilitated and businesses assiste	ed 9

- Completed the annual update of the district-wide CDBG CONSOLIDATED PLAN
- Business Development, Delia Palletta, Coordinator (Ext. 408)

Business Technical Assistance Center:	2006-'07	2007-'08
Resident tenants served	6	8
Associate tenants served	3	3
Procurement Technical Assistance clients:	105	102

Home Weatherization, Chris Rowley, Program Manager (Ext. 415):

•	Homes Weatherized	2006-'07	2007-'08
	Carbon	15	21
	Emery	8	6
	Grand	3	6
	San Juan	34	29

• Group Workcamps - Blanding area - 46 Homes served

**Oleen Walker Home Rehabilitation and Replacement Program**, Marilyn Vogrinec, Program Manager (Ext. 402):

•	Home Rehabilitation/Reconstruction:	2006-'07	2007-'08
	Applications Taken	108	153
	Projects Completed	13	20
	Projects Under Construction	7	7
	Home Replacements	2	3
•	First-Time Home Buyer Closing Cost Assist.:	24	40

Area Agency on Aging, Maughan Guymon, Director (Ext. 409):

Servic	es provided by County aging programs and councils:	<u>2006-'07</u>	<u>2007-'08</u>
•	Congregate meals	52,880	46,296
•	Home Delivered meals	68,350	90,558
•	Transportation Services	25,444	25,952

SEUALG Administered Programs, May Marchello, RN, Program Manager (Ext. 412):

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•	Medicaid Waiver Program clients		48	2	7
	(12 Carbon, 6 Grand, 9 Emery)				
•	Alternatives to Nursing Home clients		40	3.	3
	(17 Carbon, 10 Grand, 6 Emery)				
•	Respite Program for care-givers clients		12		7
	(4 Carbon, 1 Grand, 2 Emery)				

Nursing Home Ombudsman and State Health Information Program (SHIP), Kasi Kveset, Program Manager (Ext. 714). These programs were initiated within the Area Agency on Aging in July of 2008.

## **SPECIAL PROJECTS**:

<u>Public Safety Interoperable Communications</u>: SEUALG has been designated as the administrative entity for the Eastern Utah Television and Technology Association or "TV Association." In this capacity, SEUALG facilitates TV Association meetings and provides

accounting. In 2008, the TV Association became grantee for a Homeland Security Administration grant designed to upgrade emergency radio communications hardware in the seven counties of eastern Utah. SEUALG is administering funds for this grant and facilitating meetings of the county communications technicians who have designed and will install the new equipment.

#### SOUTHEASTERN UTAH ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT (SEUEDD)

SEUEDD is operated separately from but in cooperation with SEUALG. The District shares staff resources with the Association. SEUEDD functions under the direction of a board of directors comprised of private business and local officials. The purpose of the District is two fold: promote economic development throughout the four district counties and expand employment. The District is the vehicle whereby funding assistance may be obtained from the federal Economic Development Administration (EDA). Over the past year, the District has worked with local economic development professionals in each county to identify projects that meet EDA standards for funding. Projects identified but which have yet to proceed to the funding phase include the Canyon Country Discovery Center and George Wythe College projects in Monticello, a Mesozoic Garden project in association with the College of Eastern Utah Prehistoric Museum, and Mancos Hills Industrial Park near Green River. District staff has also completed a rewriting of the regions Comprehensive Economic Development Strategy or CEDS document.

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